

Speakers' bio



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Jacqueline is a Hong Kong based partner in the International Tax Services team within the Asia-Pacific Financial Services Group, with broad experience in advising real estate, private equity and infrastructure funds and investors on fund formation and tax structuring of investments in Asia, Europe and Australia. She has deep knowledge and understanding of the tax considerations throughout the entire lifecycle for private funds, gained from over 20 years of experience both as an adviser in Melbourne, London and Hong Kong and working in-house for a global fund manager in Hong Kong.



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Vanessa is a Hong Kong based partner in the International Tax Services team within the Asia-Pacific Financial Services Group, focusing on International tax and Hong Kong tax. She has over 18 years of tax experience and has extensive in-house tax experience and expertise in regional tax management. She also has deep knowledge and understanding of fund formation and fund structuring from the Hong Kong tax perspective and extensive experience in advising funds and investors on fund formation and fund structuring of investments.



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Anson leads the team in the HKMA to spearhead development of Hong Kong's private equity and venture capital fund market. Before joining the Market Development Division, Anson worked at HKMA's Direct Investment team and Risk and Compliance Department, where he was responsible for Exchange Fund's private equity and real estate investments and investment operational and business risk compliance matters respectively. Before joining the HKMA, Anson served at various departments of the HKSAR Government including Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, where he closed the railway merger deal and advised on various public infrastructure financing projects; and Chief Secretary for Administration's Private Office, etc., where he acquired extensive experience in policy formulation.



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